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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application Number	09/821,753
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Art Unit	1763
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

a.  Previously submitted  
 i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.118 previously filed on June 9, 2006.  
*(Any un-entered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).*  
 ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
 iii.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed  
 i.  Amendment/Reply  
 ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
 iv.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. *(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(l) required)*  
 b.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

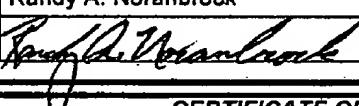
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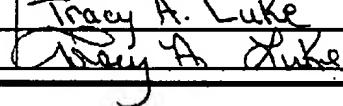
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